

M I N U T E S
SANDY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Sandy City Hall - Council Chamber Room #211
10000 Centennial Parkway
Sandy, Utah 84070

November 29, 2005

Meeting was commenced at 7:07 p.m.

PRESENT:

Council Members: Chairman John Winder, Vice Chairman Steve Fairbanks, Bryant Anderson, Scott Cowdell, Chris McCandless, Linda Martinez-Saville, and Dennis Tenney

Mayor: Tom Dolan

Others in Attendance: CAO Byron Jorgenson; City Attorney Walter Miller; Community Development Director Mike Coulam; Public Utilities Director Shane Pace; Public Works Director Rick Smith; Economic Development Director Randy Sant; Deputy to the Mayor John Hiskey; Police Chief Stephen Chapman; Fire Chief Don Chase; Parks & Recreation Director Nancy Shay; Administrative Services Director Art Hunter; Assistant CAO Jamie Davidson; Council Office Director Phil Glenn; Council Executive Secretary Pam Lehman

1. **OPENING REMARKS/PRAYER/PLEDGE:**

The Prayer was offered by **Boy Scout Nate Villegos of Troop #898**, and the Pledge was led by **Quinton Young, also of Troop #898**.

2. **CITIZEN(S) COMMENTS:**

- a. **Rick Ransdell**, 8587 South 1000 East, expressed concern over resolving an issue with Salt Lake County Sheriff's refusal to address problems with County residents.

John Winder invited Mr. Ransdell to meet with Police Chief Chapman to discuss his concerns and determine if both jurisdictions could work together to help remedy the situation.

Dennis Tenney also requested a follow-up report on this issue since the home is located in his District. He also stated that he would like to see this situation resolved.

- b. **Jay Seggmiller**, 9152 South Sterling Drive, indicated that his son Matt, who is working on his Communication Merit Badge, would like to address the Council regarding a concern.

Matt Segemiller expressed concern over the snow removal at Falcon Park, especially on the north side walking path. He reported that there is ice and snow on the trail since sun light does not hit the northern portion of the trail.

John Winder reported that the Parks Department plows the snow in all of the City Parks, and that this particular area may be difficult to keep clear since it is in a spot that does not have general sunlight. Mr. Winder indicated that this message would be forwarded on to the Parks Department.

- c. **Gary Ricci**, 9461 Tramway Drive, presented a copy of a letter to the Council regarding concerns he had with the Little Cottonwood Development at 9400 South and 2000 East. He expressed concern that another big box use would be allowed to locate on the site leaving the residents to deal with additional noise from the delivery trucks at all hours of the day.

- d. **Colin Price**, who is a new resident of Sandy, referenced an e-mail that was distributed to the Council regarding the importance of recognizing the need for the City to provide additional trail systems and bike paths in order to foster a more healthy community. He was hopeful that the City's vision would not be one of an asphalt jungle, rather, a place where people are given priority over automobiles by creating places that encourage people to get out and walk. Mr. Price believes more physical exercise would help replace many of the illnesses that plague our society. He stated "Don't build more roads, build more bicycle lanes". "If they are built, they will be used". He also suggested the need for more cross walks and to lower speeds limits.

John Winder noted that he called Mr. Price and invited him to come and present his views to the

Council. Mr. Winder reported that the City has been very pro-active in adding and improving trail systems and bike lanes throughout the community. Mr. Winder suggested that perhaps Mr. Price would be interested in serving on the Trails Committee, and suggested that he give his name and number to Mr. Glenn so that he can be contacted when there is an opening on the committee.

Dennis Tenney stated that if Mr. Price could have seen Sandy some 20 years ago, he would now recognize all the changes that have been made to make the community a place for people to live and work near their homes.

Steve Fairbanks indicated that they had advised the Parks and Recreation Director Nancy Shay to contact Mr. Price.

John Winder also reported that the City sponsors a program called "Fit For Life" for all City employees. The program provides additional incentives and encouragement to incorporate more activity into their daily lifestyles.

3. **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

- a. **Mayor Dolan** reported that numerous office building proposals are under review with the Planning Department, including the Workers Comp Building, and the Woodbury Building on Monroe Street. Meetings have also been held with developers for the proposed Hotel south of City Hall. Mayor Dolan noted that a meeting would be scheduled with officials from Texas to discuss the future soccer stadium. He also reported that the Board of Governors for the Boys and Girls Club has begun discussions on the location and funding for a new Boys and Girls Club in Sandy. Mayor Dolan recommended that Chris McCandless, Scott Cowdell, and Steve Fairbanks serve on the committee.

Dennis Tenney asked if the Old Senior Citizen Center site would provide a good location for the Boys and Girls Club.

Mayor Dolan stated that he felt the site of the old Senior Citizen Center would not accommodate a building large enough to handle the number of children and services provided by the Boys and Girls Club. He also felt the Gravel Pit site would be more feasible due to the proximity of greater youth populations.

4. **CAO'S REPORT:**

- a. **CAO Byron Jorgenson** reported that R&P Engineering is looking into drilling a natural spring well near the River Oaks Golf Course. He noted that it has been a challenge keeping the greens and foliage on the course alive. The course is currently being watered with irrigation water from Utah Lake, which contains a very high salt content. Funding to drill the well would come from the sale of land near the golf course.

Dennis Tenney asked if the well water would require chlorination.

Byron Jorgenson said no it would not be used for drinking.

5. **COUNCIL OFFICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

- a. **Phil Glenn** presented a copy of the monthly Calendar to the Council members. He also reminded Steve Smith and Chris McCandless of the training sessions sponsored by the Utah League of Cities, scheduled in February, 2006. He reported that the League would hold half day training sessions, and asked them to please inform him if they would be interested in attending.
- b. **Mr. Glenn** presented information to the Council regarding upcoming sessions of FEMA [Federal Emergency Management Agency] courses at the Emergency Management Institute in Emmitsburg, Maryland, scheduled for the Summer of 2006. He asked the Council to advise him if they are interested in attending so that applications may be submitted in a timely manner.
- c. **Mr. Glenn** reported on Chairman Winder's idea to present resolutions commending the various religious denominations and groups within Sandy City. The resolutions would be presented on Tuesday, December 13th, at the City Council Meeting. Mr. Glenn presented a copy of the draft resolution for the Council to review.

- d. **Mr. Glenn** informed the Council that the Oath of Office Ceremony would be held on Tuesday, January 3rd at 4:00 p.m., which would allow City Employees the opportunity to attend. He suggested that group pictures of the old and new Council members be taken prior to the Oath of Office Ceremony at 3:30 p.m. The Council agreed.

6. **OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

- a. **John Winder** informed Councilman elect Steve Smith of the various City and Utah League Committees. **Mr. Glenn** stated that in his upcoming meeting with Mr. Smith, this information would be shared with him.
- b. **Bryant Anderson** requested that the Administration continue working on ideas to curtail speeding problems through residential neighborhoods. He noted that this concern was mentioned numerous times by residents during his campaign for re-election.

Byron Jorgenson indicated that speeding through residential neighborhoods is one of the most challenging issues that faces the City. He asked Mr. Anderson to inform the Administration of areas that are experiencing problems so they can be addressed.

Mayor Dolan indicated that the Administration would make a more concerted effort in trying to curtail some of the speeding issues in residential neighborhoods. He suggested discussing the possibility of posting flags at Pedestrian crosswalks as an option.

- c. **Steve Fairbanks** expressed concern regarding increased costs for Police Retirement and Health Care Benefits and the effects they are having on the City. He requested that the Administration address these issues during the upcoming Legislative Session.

Mayor Dolan indicated that he would speak with Representative Todd Kiser regarding Mr. Fairbanks concerns.

- d. **Chris McCandless** reported that he would send a response to Mr. Ricci expressing his opinion on the accusations expressed by Mr. Ricci earlier in the evening. Mr. McCandless noted that when the property was developed at the Little Cottonwood Development on 20th East and 94th South, he learned that each of the homeowners was given additional property from the developer to provide additional buffering for those residents who's homes surround the development.
- e. **Chris McCandless** recommended extending an invitation to Marv Hendrickson, of the Salt Lake County Council, to sit on the Committee for the new Boys and Girls Club.

At approximately 7:55 p.m., **Bryant Anderson** made a motion to adjourn Council Meeting, motion seconded by **Steve Fairbanks**.

The content of the minutes is not intended, nor are they submitted, as a verbatim transcription of the meeting. These minutes are a brief overview of what occurred at the meeting.

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